

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

What is claimed is:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A cover for a stringed instrument comprising:

a top portion for covering the headstock and tuning keys of said instrument;

a body portion for covering the strings and neck of said instrument with one or more straps to secure the body portion around the headstock; and

an end portion for attaching said cover to the body of said instrument[.]];

wherein said end portion is configured so that the exterior surface of the body of said instrument is uncovered thereby permitting a user to view the uncovered body of said instrument.

Claim 2 (Original): A cover of claim1 further comprising one or more detachable straps connected at one end to a free edge of the top portion of said cover and connected at another end to a free edge of the end portion of said cover.

Claim 3 (original): A cover of claim 1 further comprising one or more pockets accommodated within said cover or on the exterior of said cover.

Claim 4 (original): A cover of claim 1 wherein said cover is made of a fabric material.

Claim 5 (original): A cover of claim 1 wherein said cover is made of a plastic.

Claim 6 (original): A cover of claim 5 wherein said plastic material is clear.

Claim 7 (new): A cover of claim 1 wherein said end portion is configured so that a majority of the exterior surface of the body of said instrument is uncovered thereby permitting a user to view the uncovered exterior surface of the body of said instrument.